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Dear Sir:

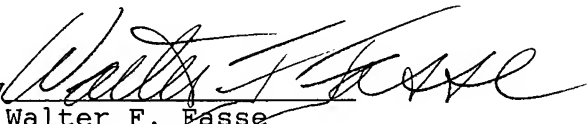
- 1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 applicants enclose a Form PTO-1449 and makes of record the documents listed thereon. A copy of the International Search Report issued in a corresponding PCT International Application on January 25, 2001, is enclosed. Copies of references AA and AD are enclosed. Copies of references AB and AC were submitted to the USPTO by the International Searching Authority in the International processing of this PCT Application.
- 2) This statement is being filed simultaneously with the above identified application.

- 3) References AA and AC are in English. Reference AB is accompanied by an English Abstract. Reference AD corresponds to AA from which the relevance can be determined in English. Reference AD has been discussed in the introductory portion of the present specification at pages 1 and 2.
- 4) References AB and AC were categorized in relevance categories A (= technological background) and X (= relevant for anticipation or obviousness when considered alone) in the enclosed International Search Report. Thereby, the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance has been satisfied (see M.P.E.P. §609).
- 5) Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialled copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to the applicants and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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